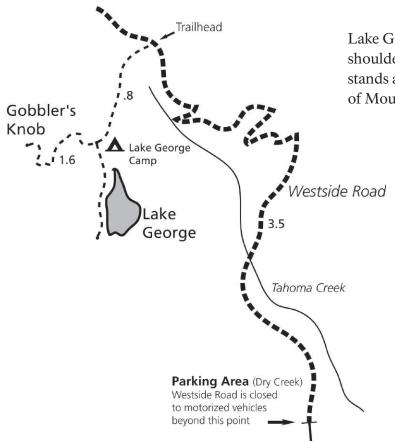
Mount Rainier National Park

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Lake George and Gobblers Knob



Lake George is a pristine mountain lake, nestled in the northwest shoulder of Mount Wow. A rock outcrop called Gobblers Knob stands at the north end of Mount Wow and offers a spectacular view of Mount Rainier on clear days.

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Stay on trails. Do not pick flowers.
Carry the "10 Essentials" and
Leave No Trace of your visit.
Pets and bicycles are not allowed
on park trails.
Do not feed or approach wildlife.
Use a topographical map.
Permit required for wilderness camping.

Trail Description



Round-trip Distance

Lake George: 8.6 miles (14 km) Gobblers Knob: 11.8 miles (19 km)

Elevation Gain:

Lake George: 1455 feet (443 m) Gobblers Knob: 2590 feet (789 m)

Hiking Time Round-trip:

Lake George: 4-5 hours Gobblers Knob: 6-7 hours

Difficulty Level:

Lake George: Easy Gobblers Knob: Moderate

Trailhead: Take the Westside Road and drive 3 miles to the gate at Dry Creek. Hike the closed portion of the road for 3.5 miles (5.6 km) until you reach the Lake George trailhead. The .8 mile (1.3 km) hike to the lake from the trailhead is an easy walk with a gradual incline. The 1.6 miles (2.6 km) from Lake George to Gobbler's Knob is much steeper.

Along the Trail

Take time to enjoy the shoreline of Lake George and the summer wildflowers on the way up to Gobblers Knob. A shelter facing the lake is available for day users on a first-come, first-served basis. At Gobblers Knob, an old fire lookout which dates back to the late 1930s offers spectacular views of Mount Rainier and the Tahoma Glacier cascading down its west slope. On a clear day, you can see the peaks of St. Helens, Hood, Adams, and the Olympics.

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